



# Southeast Fishery Bulletin

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## **Recreational Harvest of Hogfish in Federal Waters of the South Atlantic Will Close on November 30, 2016**

Recreational harvest of hogfish in federal waters of the South Atlantic will **close at 12:01 a.m. (local time) on November 30, 2016**. Recreational harvest of hogfish has reached the 2016 recreational catch limit of 85,355 pounds whole weight. As a result, recreational harvest of hogfish in federal waters of the South Atlantic will be closed for the remainder of 2016. Federal waters will reopen to recreational harvest of hogfish at 12:01 a.m. (local time) on January 1, 2017.

During the closure:

- Recreational harvest or possession of hogfish is prohibited in or from federal waters in the South Atlantic.

This closure is necessary to protect the hogfish stock by limiting the amount of landings that exceed the recreational catch limit.